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TO: Direct Supervisor.

Subject: Outside Activities.

Ref.: My oral inquiry of 23 Mar, and the advice received then.

- 1) I attended the annual meeting of the Association of the Veterans of Estonian War of Liberation ( also: New York Chapter of the Estonian Legion of Liberation) in New York on 24 March ( in the Estonian House ). I did not show any special activity there.
- 2) The matter of mediation, in connection with which my name was mentioned earlier, was not brought up during this meeting. However, during private meetings and some casual talks I got the impression that one of the parties involved has raised such preconditions which the other party could not accept. Also, the first-mentioned party and his supporters seem to be determined to proceed with their campaign against the other party, insisting that the latter, due to his previous acts, is unworthy to be a member of the Presidency of the Legion, and harmful for the success of Legion's work. In this connection it is being told that the present President of the Legion is too young, has no personal prestige, is practically under the guidance of this "bad" member of the Presidency, and therefore, both should be replaced by other people. I took no part in this dispute, because - and as I told to the people who have approached me in this connection - I have not seen any proof to the rumors going around about both parties since many years.
- 3) I was maintained on the list of the representatives of the Chapter in the Council of the Legion. The next meeting of this Council will take place in April, 14 being the tentative date. Whether I will be called to participate or not, is not sure yet, as there are more representatives on the list than will be asked to participate. Possibly I will not be asked to participate because the present President of the Legion was elected to this post upon my proposal.
- 4) Initial information was given about the field exercises of the Special Forces which will take place in the beginning of May and in which the Estonian Legion has been asked to participate in roles of Communist functionaries, local inhabitants and guerilla fighters. The members of the Chapter were urged to find possibilities to participate, however, not to give too much publicity to these exercises at this early and preparatory time. More information about the exercises was promised later.

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